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ALBERTA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD

Edmonton, Alberta, 31st October, 1939.

The Honourable Solon E. Low,
Provincial Treasurer,
Parliament Buildings,
Edmonton, Alberta.

Sir:

We have the honour to submit herewith the Report of the Alberta Liquor Control Board, covering the fiscal period from the 1st April, 1938, to the 31st March, 1939.

We have the honour to be, sir,

Your obedient servants,

J. A. King,
Chairman.

J. F. Percival,
Member.

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REPORT OF THE ALBERTA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD

INTRODUCTION

The Fifteenth Annual Report of the Alberta Liquor Control Board, which covers its operations from the 1st April, 1938, to the 31st March, 1939, together with the Financial Statements, is submitted herewith.

During the year Beer Licenses were issued with respect to 382 Hotel properties.

One Hotel was destroyed by fire, but no guest of the Hotel was injured or suffered property loss.

Four Licensees were penalized by suspension of License for permitting infractions of the Act to take place on their premises.

Penalties imposed on Licensees are shown in Appendix "A".

The standard of Hotel accommodation throughout the Province has continued to improve, and in this connection the Board has received the utmost co-operation and assistance from the Officers of the Alberta Hotel Association.

Fifty-four Club Licenses were issued, and no disciplinary action by way of suspension of License was found to be necessary.

Fourteen Military Canteens received Licenses.

The number of Breweries operating in the Province remains at five.

LOCAL OPTION PLEBISCITES

There were no Local Option Plebiscites held in the Province during the period from the 1st April, 1938, to the 31st March, 1939.

GOVERNMENT LIQUOR STORE

A store was opened at Cadomin on the 15th December, 1938.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

The enforcement of Liquor Legislation has been carried out by the Officers of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and by the City and Municipal Police Forces throughout the Province, and to these Forces the Board expresses its thanks for the fullest co-operation extended at all times.

GENERAL REMARKS

The sum of $62,748.75 was realized from the sale of Permits.

132 Permits were cancelled during the year.

Interdiction Orders to the number of 319 were placed, and 339 Orders were revoked during the period covered by this Report, thus leaving the names of 848 persons on the List of Interdicts as at the 31st March, 1939.

Prescriptions totalling 564 were issued by members of the Medical Profession during the year.

Cash and Trade discounts amounting to $12,919.26 were obtained, and appear in the Financial Statements.

Individual sales numbering 1,764,579 were made by the Government Liquor Stores to Permittees, the average for each sale being $3.02.

Licensee customers made 44,370 purchases.

The Board and the Brewers of Alberta together paid to the Dominion Government, a sum in excess of $1,708,000, by way of Customs and Excise Duties and Sales Tax.

Approximately 3,282,000 Gallons of Beer were sold within the Province, and of this quantity 23,500 Gallons were imported from outside points.

The number of parcels shipped by express totalled 25,366, at a cost for transportation of $10,231.96. 2,406 were shipped by mail, at a cost of $1,854,25. In all instances transportation charges were paid by the Board.

Customs and Excise entries to the number of 5,386 were made by the staff during the year.

STAFF

The Board wishes once again to express its sincere thanks and appreciation to a loyal and competent staff, both at Head Office and at the various Stores and Warehouses, for the faithful manner in which they have performed their several tasks.

J. A. King,

Chairman.

J. F. Percival,

Member.

STATEMENT "A"

ALBERTA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD

BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31, 1939

ASSETS

CASH ON HAND AND IN BANKS		$ 13,005.79
CASH IN TREASURY BRANCH		2,789.97
INVENTORIES:		
Stocks of liquor in bond at cost	$ 194,148.80	
Stocks of liquor in warehouses and stores at warehouse cost	402,284.34	
	$ 596,433.14	
Liquor in transit prepaid	14,747.07	
Containers on hand	486.25	
		611,666.46
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE		8,666.49
AUTOMOBILES, FURNITURE AND FIXTURES at cost, less reserve for depreciation		45,060.22
PREPAID CHARGES		15,333.96
PROVINCIAL TREASURER:		
Income unremitted, March 31, 1938	$ 2,673.97	
Add: Income for year ended March 31, 1939:		
Liquor profits and license fees	2,676,944.40	
Permit fees	63,180.00	
	$2,742,798.37	
Less: Remittances for year ended March 31, 1939	2,755,000.00	
Excess remittances, March 31, 1939		12,201.63
		$ 708,724.52

LIABILITIES

BANK OF MONTREAL OVERDRAFT		$ 192,956.37
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE		408,762.65
UNEARNED LICENSE REVENUE		47,005.50
RESERVES:		
Burglary	$ 10,000.00	
General	50,000.00	
		60,000.00
		$ 708,724.52

J. A. KING,
Chairman.

B. GUTHRIE,
Chief Accountant.

Edmonton, Alberta, July 21, 1939.

Audit of the books and records of the Alberta Liquor Control Board has been completed under my direction for the year ended March 31, 1939, and the above Balance Sheet and accompanying Profit and Loss Account are in accordance therewith.

Stocks of liquor and beer in warehouses and stores at March 31, 1939, were valued at actual cost price. Inventories included goods on consignment amounting to $228,031.22, the corresponding liability being included with accounts payable on the Balance Sheet.

I have received all the information and explanations which I require, and certify that, in my opinion, the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the financial position of the Alberta Liquor Control Board as at March 31, 1939, and the accompanying Profit and Loss Account correctly sets forth the results of the operations for the year ended at that date.

CHAS. M. LANG, C.A.,
Acting Provincial Auditor.

STATEMENT "B"

ALBERTA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1939

	Liquor	Beer	Total
Gross sales	$ 4,219,797.48	$ 4,425,756.46	$ 8,645,553.94
Less: Cost of goods sold	2,118,320.83	3,454,533.11	5,572,853.94
	$2,101,476.65	$ 971,223.35	$3,072,700.00
Less: Stores operating expenses			572,285.73
			$2,500,414.27
Add: Special income:			
License fees		$ 190,955.36	
Less: License expense		23,632.77	
		$ 167,322.59	
Sundry revenue		11,055.73	
			178,378.32
			$2,678,792.59
Less: Interest on bank overdraft			586.96
Net operating profit			$2,678,205.63
Less: Non-operating expense:			
Permit expense			1,261.23
Net income for the year ended March 31, 1939			$2,676,944.40

STATEMENT "C"

ALBERTA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD

COST OF GOODS SOLD

FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1939

Inventory, March 31, 1938:		
Liquor	$ 565,718.15	
Beer	101,837.14	
		$ 667,555.29
Add:		
Purchases, liquor	$ 886,703.61	
Purchases, confiscated liquor	200.40	
Purchases, jugs and bottles	35,630.52	
Duty	864,728.96	
Sales tax	144,950.97	
Inward freight	134,142.94	
Marine insurance	2,283.15	
	$2,068,640.55	
Purchases, beer	3,448,573.57	
		5,517,214.12
		$6,184,769.41
Less:		
Cash and trade discounts	$ 12,919.26	
Claims	2,481.08	
Breakages	81.99	
		15,482.33
		$6,169,287.08
Less: Inventory, March 31, 1939:		
Liquor	$ 500,555.54	
Beer	95,877.60	
		596,433.14
Cost of goods sold for the year ended March 31, 1939.		$5,572,853.94

APPENDIX "A"

STATEMENT SHOWING BREWERS', BEER, CLUB AND CANTEEN LICENSES ISSUED, WITH RECORD OF CANCELLATIONS AND SUSPENSIONS

BREWERS' LICENSES ISSUED, 1938

License Number	Name of Brewery	Place
1	Edmonton Breweries Limited	Edmonton
2	Lethbridge Breweries Limited	Lethbridge
3	Calgary Brewing and Malting Company Limited	Calgary
4	North West Brewing Company Limited	Edmonton
5	Big Horn Brewing Company Limited	Calgary

SUSPENSIONS OF BREWERY PRIVILEGES, 1938

Nil.

NUMBER OF BEER LICENSES IN FORCE AT DECEMBER 31st, 1938 381

CANCELLATIONS AND SUSPENSIONS OF BEER LICENSES, 1938:

Alberta Hotel, Vegreville: Alberta Hotel of Vegreville Limited, J. P. Lossock, Manager, Licensee; Beer License No. 294 suspended from March 28th to April 1st, inclusive, 1938; Infraction Section 126 (a), Indian Act.

Prince Edward Hotel, Vegreville: L. Milner, Licensee; Beer License No. 76 suspended from March 28th to April 1st, inclusive, 1938; Infraction Section 126 (a), Indian Act.

Chinook Hotel, Chinook: William H. Barros, Licensee; Beer License No. 368 suspended for two days, April 25th and 26th, 1938; Infraction Regulation No. 12 (a).

Riverside Hotel, Duvernay: Duvernay Hotel Company Limited, H. Dempsey, Manager, Licensee; Beer License No. 299 suspended from August 11th to August 31st, inclusive, 1938; Infraction Section 37 (a), Government Liquor Control Act of Alberta.

CANCELLATIONS AND SUSPENSIONS OF CLUB LICENSES, 1938:

Nil.

CANCELLATIONS AND SUSPENSIONS OF CANTEEN LICENSES, 1938:

Nil.

APPENDIX "B"

STAFF AS AT MARCH 31st, 1936

	Male	Female	Temp.	Total
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES:				
Chairman	1	....	....	1
Member of Board (part time)	1	....	....	1
Secretary to Chairman	....	1	....	1
Secretary's Office	1	1	....	2
DEPARTMENTS:				
Accountant's	14	3	1	18
Beer Statistics	4	1	....	5
Licensing	5	....	1	6
Liquor Stocks	6	1	....	7
Traffic and Customs	2	5	....	7
WAREHOUSES	48	9	14	71
STORES	97	....	18	115
	179	21	34	234